

FINANCIAL

THE FIRST-BRIDGEPORT NATIONAL BANK

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Efficient Service And Safety

The management of this institution spares no effort in making its service broad and suited to the requirements of its patrons. Moreover, every precaution and safeguard is adopted so that absolute safety is afforded for deposits. Uniform and courteous attention is extended to all depositors.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$1,100,000

INTEREST

Allowed on Balances Subject to Check

T.L. WATSON & CO. BANKERS

Established 1866 Stocks and Bonds Private Wires to New York, Boston, Philadelphia or. Main and John Sts.

PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK

Trustees of this Bank have declared a semi-annual dividend at the rate of FOUR PER CENT. on all deposits, payable on and after January 3, 1910.

THE BRIDGEPORT LAND & TITLE CO.

Real Estate bought and sold. Rents collected. General care taken of property.

THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS

You will be more certain to enjoy Christmas if you have made provision to secure yourself and family against financial storms and stress.

CITY SAVINGS BANK

946 MAIN STREET BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

BRIDGEPORT Savings Bank

The Trustees of this Bank have declared the regular Semi-Annual dividend (the 134th consecutive Dividend) at the rate of FOUR per cent. per annum on all deposits, payable on and after January 3rd, 1910.

One Day and Two Evenings to Shop—That's All

JOHN F. KEANE & CO. MAIN & JOHN ST. BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

SOME HELPFUL GIFT HINTS FOR MEN AND YOUNG MEN

USEFUL GIFTS ARE BEST

- Fur Coat Raincoat Overcoat Suit House Coat Lined Gloves "Auto" Gloves Walking Gloves Dress Gloves Fancy Vests Full Dress Vests Scarf Pins Cuff Links Suit Case Hat Fur Cap Scarf Muffler Canes Umbrellas Hosiery H'chiefs Underwear Garters Suspenders Shirts Collars Night Robes Pajamas

Seen the Pajamas with Slippers to match? Quite a novelty

The Home of ROGERS, PEET & CO., KUPPENHEIMER and "Society" Brand Clothes

Before the Turkey

the right Christmas Dinner, serve

HAYES' guaranteed fresh opened Oysters on the Half Shell

Store will be opened Friday evening and Christmas morning for the delivery of Half Shell Oysters Be sure and get your order in early

TURKEYS, GESE, DUCKS, BROILERS, SQUAB FISH, OYSTERS, ESCALOPE, VEGETABLES, Etc.

HAYES' FISH CO.

629 WATER STREET Telephone 412 THE MARKET OF QUALITY

Christmas Goods

W. Fray's Hardware Store

EAST END OF CENTER BRIDGE

A line of mechanical toys and Christmas goods are added to the already complete stock of housefurnishing hardware, which includes enameled ware, tinware, oil heaters, cutlery novelties and MECHANICS' TOOLS

G. BROCH & SON, 870 Main St.

For Christmas

GERMAN LEBKUCHEN OR HONEY CAKES Spice Drops, Macaroons, Hutzl Brod, Walnuts, Dried Fruits, Dried Hutjeln or Pears California Port, Sherry, Tokay and Orange Wines 35c bottle Liquors and Moerlein's Bottled Beer Free Delivery Telephone 1389

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Capital and Surplus... \$300,000 Banking in all its branches. Deposits received subject to check. Department for Savings. A legal depository for trust funds. 167-171 STATE STREET F. W. MARSH, President E. H. JUDSON, Treasurer

When you send money Home as a Christmas gift why not let us sell you one of our CHRISTMAS DRAFTS

payable in any foreign country. The prices are so very low and the safety so absolute that it is the only sure way of sending money abroad.

S. Loewith & Co. Tel. 99 116 BANK ST.



MAKE A PRESENT

to yourself—not a bad idea—or perhaps you may know of some poor deserving family that would greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness if you sent them a ton or so of coal. Whichever you may decide, don't forget—

We Have The Coal

ARNOLD COAL CO. Main Office, 1229 MAIN ST. Tel. 2457 Yard, ADMIRAL ST. Tel. 1772

RAILROAD CO. MAY SUE GOVERNMENT ON MAIL CONTRACT

It is said in Washington that the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company may bring suit against the government because of the provisions of the contracts under which it is now carrying the mails. The railroad company alleges that it will lose money under the contract which it accepted under protest and because of the duties devolving upon it as a common carrier in southern New England.

\$300,000 WHITE PLAGUE FUND

New Haven, Dec. 23.—Ely Whitney President of the New Haven General Hospital Society, announces a gift of \$300,000 for the treatment of tuberculosis. It is understood that the aim of the hospital in accepting the gift and beginning the treatment will be to apply current methods for relieving and curing the disease rather than to pursue original research work in seeking new cures.

U. S. AFTER MOTH IN WALLINGFORD

Entomologist W. E. Britton of the State Agricultural Experiment station, Wallingford, has been awarded against the invasion of the gypsy moth in Wallingford was still being proceeded with relentlessly. Up to the present time over 4,300 acres of the moths have been destroyed, at the hands of a regular force of three experts.

Three Mill Employees Arrested for Arson

Willingford, Dec. 23.—Charged with arson, Frank Dube, 18 years old, an employe of the American Thread company, was arrested last night. Dube is alleged to have thrown three lighted matches into a quantity of cotton on the floor of No. 4 mill. The damage done by fire and water from the automatic sprinklers could not be estimated but it is thought that the amount will be large. Dube says that he stepped on a match that was on the floor.

AYRES PRIZE AWARDED. Middletown, Dec. 23.—Announcement is made at Wesleyan University that the Ayres prize of \$50 for the best set of examination papers turned in by a freshman in the classical course has been awarded to Eugene S. Clark of New London.

A Holiday Necessity A BOX OF



Other Xmas Gift Suggestions:

- MANICURE SETS TOILET ARTICLES ATOMIZERS PERFUMES CIGARS SARGENT'S HUMIDORS

Dupree's

81 Fairfield Ave. SOUVENIRS FREE See VAN DYK'S Ad. Page 9. It will interest you.

NAT GOODWIN LOST \$1,250,000

Los Angeles, Dec. 23.—Admitting that he saw more than \$1,000,000 slip from his grasp in his Nevada mining ventures, Nat C. Goodwin, when seen at his seaside home at Santa Monica, said he had washed his hands of mining enterprises in which there is an element of stock speculation.

"I do not mean that I have lost interest in mining," said Mr. Goodwin. "I still have money invested in Alaskan mines. Although I have given up all my Nevada holdings, I still believe the mines are good. It was stock speculation which disgusted me with the Nevada game. Had the operations there been confined to legitimate mining I would not have become dissatisfied. I do not mean by this to criticize any of my associates. They did all they could to protect holders of stock in the various Nevada companies in which I was interested. They spent thousands and thousands of dollars in their efforts and did not stop until it was a choice between bankruptcy and discontinuing the buying up of the stock that was thrown upon the market."

Three New Haven Road Depots Cracked

Clinton, Dec. 23.—The New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad stations here at Westbrook and at Madison were broken into Tuesday night. From the local depot nothing was taken but at Madison and Westbrook the telephone pay stations were rifled. At the latter place the telephone being torn away and carried half way to Clinton. The robbers ransacked the Madison station completely.

FIRE DESTROYS BARN AT DANBURY FAIR GROUNDS.

Danbury, Dec. 23.—Three large horse barns on the Danbury fair grounds were destroyed yesterday by fire of unknown origin. The loss is about \$3,000. There is no fire fighting apparatus on the grounds and Chief Lounsbury sent a supply wagon, with chemical extinguishers and other appliances out to the grounds, which are two miles from the city. Other buildings were threatened, but the firemen succeeded in confining the flames to the three barns that were consumed.

BIG VALUES IN Diamonds, Watches Jewelry & Silverware

You are cordially invited to inspect same Goods can now be reserved for Christmas. M. J. RUECHLER The Reliable Jeweler 18 FAIRFIELD AVE. Near Middle St.

The Xmas Gift that includes everybody at home



ANGELUS PLAYER-PIANO

The Piano Everyone Can Play Artistically

Who, in childhood, has not shared Jack's envy of the giant for his magic harp which played upon command whatever it was bid? ... Who, in maturer years, has not envied the pianist his magic fingers, as responsive to musical commands as the giant's harp?

The ANGELUS Player-Piano Makes The One Ideal Christmas Gift Because

It eliminates all possible occasion for envy in the one case as in the other. No less marvelous than the giant's magic—no less wonderful than the virtuoso's art, it places the fascination of music at the disposal of all instead of limiting it to the enjoyment of the few.

What gift, then, could be more perfect than the complete realization of this youthful dream—the complete gratification of this maturer longing?

Be sure it is an ANGELUS, however, for only the ANGELUS possesses those exclusive means of "modern magic"—the Mele'ant, the Phrasing Lever, the "Artistic" Music Rolls. Besides, the ANGELUS plays every one of the 88 notes of the piano keyboard.

Come in and see for yourself what a perfect gift the ANGELUS PLAYER-PIANO really is. Come in now and learn of our special plan, whereby you can have an ANGELUS PLAYER-PIANO at once, without too great a tax on your Christmas expenditure.

Besides the ANGELUS you will find the famous Bush & Lane Pianos, the sweet toned Becker Bros., the Hasbrouck and Victor, making up a first class stock unsurpassed by any other piano house in this or any other city. Come and see for yourself. Open evenings.

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BRIGHT, SNAPPY NECKWEAR, New Every Week

This week, a swell line of Cross Stripes 50c. Look them over KERR & BURNES TAILORS and FURNISHERS

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If you are still worrying about where the money is coming from for Christmas presents, stop it, come to this great Christmas Credit Store! You don't need a single penny in Cash. Your Credit is just as good here as if you were the richest man in town and you can pay after Christmas by the week or month.

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To cut it down we shall offer extraordinary values in every department. Come right along—save money—and make your Christmas a merry one—all without cash. OPEN EVENINGS.

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Regular and Auto styles \$8.50 to \$27.50

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The season's best fancy woolsens—also blacks for dress—\$8.50 to \$27.50

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Patterns to go with any coat \$1.98 to \$7.00

RAINCOATS, REEFERS, FANCY VESTS

Boys' Suits, Overcoats and Reefers, \$2.50

MEN'S AND BOYS' HATS, Soft and Stiff

Juvenile Suits and Reefers, \$3.50

Umbrellas, \$1.00

Elegant Furs

We can quote low prices on choice furs, because we bought in large quantities!—But we selected them just as carefully as though we were only buying one piece of a kind. You can depend upon them for wear.

Our Great Leader and Other Caracul Coats

The popular style, full length, only \$18.75 \$25.00 Caracul Coat \$34.50 that are great values up to.....

Ladies' Pony Skin, Coney and Plush Coats \$32.50 to \$75.00

Ladies', Misses' and Children's FUR SETS \$3.98 to \$100.

Neck Pieces \$1.98 up

BLANKETS, COMFORTABLES, QUILTS, SPREADS A showing to delight every housekeeper. \$2.00 and up

Ladies' Suits

Blacks and fancy mixtures \$8.98 to \$32.50

Ladies' and Misses' Cloth Coats.

\$9.98 to \$22.50

LADIES' WAISTS

in lawns, linens, silk, net and messaline 98c to \$12.75

LADIES' DRESSES

in silk, messaline and cloth \$6.98 to \$37.50

MILLINERY

Fur and trimmed hats \$2.98 to \$12.75

Raincoats, Separate Skirts, Health-clothes and Silk Petticoats, Muslin Underwear, Capes, Sweaters, Wrappers, P. N. Corsets.

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is a place that you should know about—The best of leathers in fashionable lasts for Ladies and Men—Sturdy shoes for Children and rubbers for all!

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